REGIONAL FUGITIVE TASK FORCES

CATCH OF THE WEEK

Week of April 26th, 2004

Taking the Worst of the Worst off the Streets

Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force

On 04/27/04, witnesses identified Tijuan Davis, Demarkus Davis, and two other males walking toward a residence on N. 29th Street in Richmond, Virginia with firearms in hand. The occupants of the residence, including two children, were fired upon by all four subjects as they retreated into the residence. The subjects continued firing a volley of rounds into the occupied residence before fleeing on foot. One adult, an 8 year old child, and a 3 year old child were wounded by bullets during the attack. Deputy U.S. marshals and Richmond police officers from the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF) conducted an extensive investigation and developed information that Tijuan Davis had fled to Winston Salem, North Carolina. The CARFTF contacted the USMS fugitive task force in Winston Salem with the information. The USMS and Winston-Salem Police Department formed a joint tactical team and arrested Davis without incident on 4/29/04. The task force is comprised of the USMS, Winston-Salem PD, Highpoint PD and Greensboro PD.

As a result of numerous interviews by CARFTF members and the arrest of Tijuan Davis in North Carolina, Demarkus Davis surrendered to the Richmond Police Department the following day. There is an ongoing investigation to identify and arrest the other subjects. It is believed that the group is responsible for several other serious crimes that took place in Richmond, Virginia.



Tijuan Davis



Demarkus Davis

Wanted For Malicious Wounding (3 counts) Use of a Firearm in the Commission of a Felony (3 counts)

Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force

The Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force (GLRFTF) captured fugitive Terrell Wells on 4/27/04. Wells, who was wanted by the Lisle Police Department for unlawful possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, has a violent criminal history which includes eight weapons charges, various narcotics convictions, armed robbery, battery, and assault charges. The Lisle Police Department requested the GLRFTF's assistance in locating this subject. Information was developed through the use of an informant that Wells was staying with his child's mother in Chicago, Illinois. Upon entering the residence, task force officers located Wells in the bathroom attempting to flush narcotics down the toilet. Wells was taken into custody and most of the narcotics were recovered as evidence. Over 17 grams of crack cocaine and 37 grams of marijuana were processed.



Terrell Wells

Wanted for Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver

Los Angeles Regional Fugitive Task Force

On 4/5/2004, the Los Angeles Regional Fugitive Task Force (LARFTF) was contacted by the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles District Attorneys Office for assistance in locating and apprehending fugitive Miguel Orea-Chavez, who had been charged with 12 counts of forcible rape and 3 counts of continuous sexual abuse of a minor. Orea-Chavez continuously raped/molested his step-daughter from the age of 11 thru 17 until she finally was big enough to fight him off and run away from home. The victim then contacted the Los Angeles Police and District Attorneys Office and relayed her account of sexual abuse. Detectives and district attorney investigators were able to monitor a pretext phone call from the victim to Orea-Chavez in which he admitted to the charged counts. A warrant was issued for his arrest; however, he was unable to be located immediately.

On 4/30/2004, LARFTF officers set up surveillance on an address in Los Angeles where the suspect was receiving Social Security benefits under his true name. Task force officers maintained surveillance over many hours and conducted interviews with residents who lived nearby. It was discovered that Orea-Chavez frequently used a "NIX Check Cashing" store, located three blocks away, to conduct business. Task force officers proceeded to the check cashing store and identified Orea-Chavez, who was in the store talking to a young female. The suspect was immediately taken into custody without incident.



Miguel Orea-Chavez

Wanted for Forcible Rape (12 counts), and Continuous Sexual Abuse of a Minor (3 counts)

New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force

On 4/27/04, The New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force (NY/NJ RFTF) arrested Lavar Gale, who was wanted by the United States Marshals Service and the New York City Police Department for Murder, Conspiracy to Distribute Narcotics, and Criminal Sale of Narcotics. He was a member of a Bloods gang responsible for a drug trade that stretched from New York to Virginia. In March of 2000, Gale participated in the brutal homicide of an individual in Virginia, who had been beaten and shot execution style several times with multiple guns. Gale had been a fugitive since January 2003. The NY/NJ RFTF tracked Gale to the Riverdale section of the Bronx and identified his location, and arrested without incident.



Wanted for Murder, Conspiracy to Distribute Narcotics, and Criminal Sale of Narcotics

Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force

On 4/27/04, members of the Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force (SERFTF) arrested Anthony King at a residence in Macon, Georgia. King was wanted by the Macon, Georgia Police Department for aggravated assault with a firearm. King, a suspected gang member with numerous prior drug arrests, was involved in gang related activities when he shot one individual twice and fired at another. The investigation revealed that King had fled to West Virginia but had returned to Georgia in an attempt to locate the victim. After investigative leads provided several possible addresses for the subject, SERFTF enlisted the aid of the U.S. Marshals Electronic Surveillance Unit (ESU). Together, investigators were soon able to determine an exact location for King in the Macon area. When SERFTF agents made entry into the residence, King attempted to flee out the back door, whereupon he was arrested without incident.



Anthony King
Wanted for Aggravated
Assault with a Firearm